

Manufacturer gives tool kits to students at O'Brien Tech in Ansonia

Story and photos by Patricia Villers

ANSONIA - Precision Machine Technology students at Emmett O'Brien Technical High School now have tools to succeed in their chosen field.

On Friday Chapman Manufacturing Co. in Durham donated their signature tool kits to the students.

The 82-year-old company is known for its high-quality, interchangeable tools, including screwdrivers and ratchets.

Chapman owner and general manager Tracy Camassar said, "When I started [at Chapman] I never thought I'd own the company."

She worked there early in her career and returned years later in 2010 after having been employed at several other companies.

Camassar told students assembled in the machine shop that life can be "weird" and advised them to take advantage of the opportunities that come along. "Learn wherever you can and you will be successful."

Department Head Steve Orloski said the school works to "make connections with the community" to create apprenticeships. The apprentice experience helps students learn the skills they need to gain employment after they graduate.

Orloski said he has 78 students this year. "It's the biggest program in the school," he said, and is likely to be the biggest one in Connecticut in the next two years.

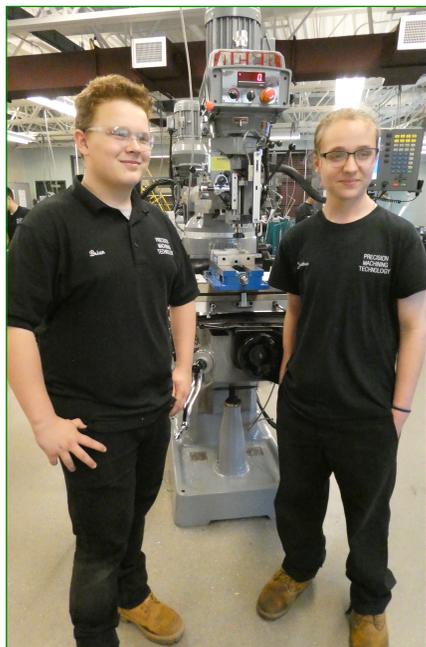
Junior Jonathan Covey of Naugatuck has been employed by Chapman Manufacturing for the past six months.

Covey said working there has helped him with "memorization and organization" in his work.

Orloski said Covey is "getting job training and getting paid" at the same time.

Sophomore Brian Mills of North Haven, who plans to pursue a career in manufacturing, said he's looking forward to starting an apprenticeship at Chapman this summer.

Learn more about Chapman Manufacturing [HERE](#)
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